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In re the Application of:

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AMENDMENT RESPONDING TO 2 MARCH 2006 OFFICE ACTION IN U.S.

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

PO Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

In response to the 03/02/2006 Office Action in the above-identified application, please consider the following amendments and arguments supporting allowance of the claimed subject matter: